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From: (b)(6), (b)(7)c /8041 USMCR  
To: Commanding Officer, Combat Logistics Regiment 45  
  
Subj: COMMAND INVESTIGATION INTO THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES  
SURROUNDING THE ALLEGED SUBSTANDARD PERFORMANCE AND MISCONDUCT  
IN THE CASE OF MAJOR DANIEL R. HOUSINGER 1265089743/3002 USMCR  
  
Ref: (a) JAGINST 5800.7F CH-3 (JAGMAN)  
(b) SECNAVINST 1920.6D  
  
Encl: (1) Appointing Order  
(2) CLR-45 COVID-19 RETURN TO FULL OPERATIONS POLICY dtd 15 May 20  
(3) CLR-45 COVID-19 RETURN TO FULL OPERATIONS POLICY- UPDATE 1 dtd 7 Jul 20  
(4) MFR FragO 007 dtd 10 Jul 20  
(5) Log of video conference attendees dtd 20 May 20  
(6) Interview Summary Major Housinger  
(7) Major Housinger's waiver of rights form  
(8) Interview Summary (b)(6), (b)(7)c  
(9) CLB-25 Personnel Tracker  
(10) Initial counseling for Maj Housinger as Assistant I&I  
(11) Email distributing CLB-25 COVID Policy letter 7 Jul 20  
(12) Email distributing MFR FragO 7 dtd 13 Jul 20  
(13) JRTC Photo Schematics  
(14) High Intensity Training Area Key retrieval process for JRTC  
(15) Copies of CLB-25 Entry control log  
(16) Witness statement of  
(17) Witness statement of (b)(6), (b)(7)c  
(18) Witness statement of  
(19) Witness statement of  
(20) Maintenance log of JRTC video surveillance system

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

1. In accordance with reference (a) and enclosure (1), all reasonably available evidence was collected, and all directives given by the Convening Authority (CA) have been met.

On 7 August 2020, I was assigned as the investigating officer for the subject command investigation into the actions, between on or about 1 May 2020 to on or about 30 July 2020, of Major (Maj) Daniel R. Housinger, USMCR, who is currently assigned as the Assistant Inspector-Instructor (I-I) for Combat Logistics Battalion 25 (CLB-25),

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Combat Logistics Regiment 45 (CLR-45), 4th Marine Logistics Group. More specifically, members of the same unit reported to the Battalion I-I, (b)(6), (b)(7)c USMC, via the chain of command, that Major Housinger brought a visitor, to wit: his four year old daughter, into the Joint Reserve Training Center (JRTC), 338 Newman Springs Rd., Red Bank, New Jersey, in the Month of May 2020, and on or about 19 July 2020, while he conducted individual, physical training (PT) inside the high intensity training (HIT) area of the facility.

During the course of the investigation, I conducted five interviews with eye witnesses to events on 21 May and 19 July 2020, where Major Housinger was observed in the facility with his daughter. An attempt to validate these accounts could not be substantiated with electronic surveillance evidence as the JRTC's video security cameras are currently inoperable. The eye witness accounts provide enough independently verifiable evidence to substantiate this investigation without video footage.

In addition to the eye witnesses, I conducted a video interview with Major Housinger, during which he acknowledged his daughter having accompanied him to his PT on 21 May and 19 July, but expressed that he took active measures to keep his daughter out of the JRTC in accordance with enclosures (2) and (3), respectively.

## 2. Personnel contacted:

- a. (b)(6), (b)(7)c, USMC, Supply Chief, CLB-25
- b. (b)(6), (b)(7)c, USMC, Admin NCO, CLB-25
- c. (b)(6), (b)(7)c, USMC, Transportation Chief, CLB-25
- d. (b)(6), (b)(7)c USMC, Admin NCO, CLB-25
- e. Civilian (b)(6), (b)(7)c Administration Resource Division Phone:
- f. Maj Daniel R Housinger, USMC, Assistant I-I, CLB-25
  - i. Video interview recording stored at:  
<https://mfrsharepoint.usmc.mil/msc/MLG/CLR45/CLB25/Command%20Deck%20Library1/Forms/AllItems.aspx?RootFolder=%2Fmsc%2FMLG%2FCLR45%2FCLB25%2FCommand%20Deck%20Library1%2FI%2DI%2Flegal&FolderCTID=0x012000068E16046079814B9EEB6C539F8C1E41&View=%7B5CB47B5A%2D80F0%2D460C%2D85C3%2D02D3B3F46CFB%7D/relief.mp4>
- g. (b)(6), (b)(7)c USMC, I-I, CLB-25

## FINDINGS OF FACT

### *COVID-19 restrictions on operations*

1. Paragraph 6(a)(6) of enclosure (2), signed by the Regimental Commander on 15 May 2020, states:

- a. "Continue daily pre-work screening (no one with symptoms or

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possible COVID-19 exposure reports) and continue with detailed records of on-deck accountability (time/locations). This will be part of the daily 'Morning Report Routine.'"

2. Paragraph 6.a.(7) of enclosure (2) states:
  - a. "Continue restriction with no visitors at HTCs."
3. Paragraph 4.d.(2) of enclosure (3), signed by the Regimental Commander on 7 July 2020, states:
  - a. "Temperature checks/screening will be conducted daily before Marines/Sailors are allowed to enter the HTC/Training areas."
4. Paragraph 4.d.(9) of enclosure (3) states:
  - a. "Access to HTC will be limited to Marines and authorized government employees only."
5. Paragraph 4.f.(6) of enclosure (3) states:
  - a. "Check temperature of all CLR-45 personnel entering the building at the beginning of each day and DENY entry to anyone with a temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or above..."
6. Paragraph 4.f.(11) of enclosure (3) states:
  - a. "Close and make inaccessible common areas such as kitchens, indoor gyms, and shower facilities."
7. Paragraph 4.f.(15)(a) of enclosure (3) states:
  - a. "All physical training will take place outside."
8. Paragraph 4.f.(15)(a) of enclosure (3) states:
  - a. "All physical training will take place outside."
9. Paragraph 5 of enclosure (3) states:
  - a. "CLB-Cos/I-Is and Independent Cos must request authorization from the Regimental Commander to deviate from any procedures listed within this LOI."
10. Paragraph 3.D.7.C.6. of enclosure (4) states:
  - a. "(U) ACCESS TO HTC WILL BE LIMITED TO MARINES AND AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES ONLY. THE ISSUANCE OF WAIVERS TO THIS RESTRICTION OF ACCESS CAN BE AUTHORIZED FOR APPROVAL AT THE LOCAL I&I OR O-5 COMMAND LEVEL, AS APPLICABLE. CG'S CAN PROVIDE MORE/LESS RESTRICTION OR DELEGATE AS NECESSARY." (emphasis added)
11. Major Housinger knew or should have known of the restrictions outlined in enclosures (2), (3), and (4) as detailed, *supra* at FF (1-10). (Encls 5, 6, 9, 11, and 12)
12. Major Housinger did attend on 20 May 2020, the all hands video brief that detailed restrictions entry into the JRTC. (Encl 5).

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*HIT training at JRTC on 21 May 2020*

13. Major Housinger was at the JRTC on 21 May 2020 between 1019-1142 EDT with his 4 year old daughter. (Encls 6,9)
14. On 21 May 2020, (b)(6),(b)(7)c saw Major Housinger escort his daughter into the JRTC to use the restroom facilities (Encl 8)
15. On 21 May 2020,

*HIT training at JRTC on 19 July 2020*

16. Major Housinger arrived at the JRTC at approximately 0930 on 19 July. (Encl 6)
17. Major Housinger was accompanied by his daughter at the JRTC on 19 July. (Encl 6)
18. Major Housinger did either leave Belle in his vehicle or outside the bay door entry JRTC to enter the HTC and open the HIT physical training area. (Encls 6, 13, and 14)
19. Major Housinger did not log his entry or temperature into the duty log book on 19 July 2020, which he did happen to complete the previous day on 18 July. (Encl 15)
20. Between the time of 0945-1030 EDT on 19 July, Major Housinger's daughter entered the JRTC in the vicinity of the bay door opening to the HIT area. (Encl 16, 17, 18, and 19).
21. Major Housinger denies that his daughter entered the facility on 21 May and 19 July. (Encl 3)
22. Major Housinger's recall of the events on 21 May and 19 July are not supported by multiple eye witness accounts. (Encls 6, 8, 16, 17, 18, and 19)
23. JRTC's video surveillance system was not functioning at the time of this incident. (Encl 20)

OPINIONS

1. SNO's daughter, while under SNO's supervision and control, entered the JRTC on at least two occasions, on 21 May and 19 July. The fact that Major Housinger does not recall having exact accountability of his daughter's whereabouts at all times at the HTC on the dates detailed herein, and the fact that his daughter is four years old, make his recollection of the events highly improbable that his active measures to restrict his daughter's movements into the facility

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failed. [FFs 2, 3, and 11]

2. During the interview, Major Housinger did not seem to recognize that he had set the conditions for violating multiple regulations by bringing his daughter to the JRTC. This mindset appears aligned with leadership gaps identified by his OIC during the course of multiple counselings. Major Housinger exercised poor judgment in bringing his dependent daughter to the HTC, and by leaving his daughter either in his vehicle or unaccompanied close to the entry of the CLB-25 motor pool, while he engaged in an individual, physical fitness training session. [FFs 1, 4, and 5]

3. Additionally, Major Housinger was derelict in his duties as Assistant I-I and security manager, demonstrated by his failure to log in his temperature. [FFs 4, 5, 9, and 10]

4. Major Housinger's failure to adhere to multiple orders intended for the safety of unit personnel is detrimental to the good order and discipline of his unit. [FFs 2, 9, 11]

5. Despite Major Housinger's actions on 21 May and 19 July falling short of the expectations of an officer of his grade and experience, in the totality of circumstances, his conduct did not meet the criteria for consideration of separation under paragraphs 1.a. or 1.b. of enclosure 6 of reference (b), substandard performance or misconduct.

#### RECOMMENDATION

1. I recommend that Major Housinger (b)(5)  
(b)(5)

2. I recommend that Major Housinger's (b)(5)  
(b)(5)

3. I further recommend that (b)(5)  
(b)(5)

4. The point of contact for this investigation is (b)(6), (b)(7)c  
at (b)(6), (b)(7)c [usmc@gmail.com](mailto:usmc@gmail.com).

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